

LOCALS.

Middling cotton is 7 cents

Work will soon begin on Alderman P. B. Dean's new residence on Nash street. It will be a beauty.

Mr. Ben E. Barnes of Dudley, who has been visiting relatives in this city left last Saturday for his home.

The Briggs Hotel is having work done on its front that will make that already stately edifice very pretty.

Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Black of New York, were in the city this week, the guest of their mother, Mrs. W. F. Mercer.

We are glad to see Mr. Edwin Barnes our efficient postmaster on the streets again after his severe illness.

Charles Barham is erecting a building just across from the Centre Brick Warehouse where he intends to run a coach shop.

Rev. F. S. Stickney of Richmond will occupy the Pulpit at St. Timothy's Episcopal church here on Sunday morning and night.

The Franklin, Va., baseball team possibly the best amateur team in Virginia will play the Wilson team in the city next Wednesday, Aug. 19th.

We regret the fact that Mr. Richard Winstead, the popular captain of the Wilson Military Company, has been quite sick at his home this week near the city.

The tobacco sales this week have been rather light, the prices have been very good for the quality of tobacco. It reminds one of last year to hear the bids being made.

Mr. Will Graves of Stantonsburg township brought in the first bale of cotton of the season last Monday. It was graded strict middling and sold to Howard Graves & Co., for 8 1/4 c.

Hon. F. A. Woodard the nominee of the second district for Congress and Hon. B. F. Aycock of Wayne, the nominee for State Treasurer, spoke on Tuesday at Snow Hill Greene county.

Mr. J. R. Hughes of this city has invented a blind slot holder. It is a very unique and useful contrivance and will keep the slots either open or shut as desired. Mr. Hughes is making arrangements to have the sale of his invention pushed.

Why not have a census taken of our city. All that would be necessary for this would be for the Aldermen to order it and the police could take the census of the city by wards, with comparatively no expense. This would be valuable information to the people and should be known.

We regret the death of Miss Mamie Bullock which sad event occurred at the home of her father's Mr. Jno Bullock, near this city last Wednesday afternoon. She was about twenty two years of age, bright and cheerful and loved by all who knew her. Her remains were interred yesterday afternoon.

Richmond Maury & Co's. Stemmy received sixty-three new hands this week from Lynchburg, Va. They came in a special car in charge of Mr. Rob't Allen, the Superintendent of the Stemmy. These will occupy the company's houses just built across the railroad comprising "Little Richmond."

A very sad death occurred in this county this week. Mrs. Orphie Applewhite an estimable lady, greatly loved and respected by the community, died almost suddenly at the home of her son. She was almost ninety years of age and was in excellent health a very short time before her death, which was caused by a hemorrhage. Mrs. Applewhite was the mother of Messrs. Jonathan and Wm. Applewhite, two very highly respected citizens of this county, her home being with the latter where she died. She was grandmother to Mrs. J. D. Farrior and Mrs. Lee Woodard. We extend our sympathy.

Please Note.

Lives of poor men oft' remind us,
Honest toil won't stand a chance.
The more we work, there grows behind us,
Bigger patches on our pants,
On our pants once new and glossy
Now are stripes of different hue,
All because subscribers linger
And won't pay up what is due.
Then let us all be up and doing
Send your mite however small;
For when the snows of winter strike us,
We shall have no pants at all.

Colored Firemen Meet.

The State Colored Volunteer Firemen met here this week in their annual convention. Nineteen companies composed of 448 men were represented.

When the meeting convened, Mr. J. R. Uzzell Esq., one of our prominent citizens was called upon, who welcomed the Association to our city. He reviewed the work of the firemen and showed their true relation to the best interests of the people of the State. Mr. Henry Blount was also called upon who also welcomed them and who interested the Association by a very funny anecdote of firemen's life.

The officers were: V. Horne of Wilmington, President; C. S. L. A. Taylor of Charlotte, Secretary; J. L. Montgomery of Warrenton, Treasurer and S. H. Hargraves of Winston, Recording Secretary. Only routine business was transacted. The old officers were re-elected. A motion was carried that each fireman be taxed \$2.50 to defray expenses of the tournament.

Resolutions were adopted thanking the people of Wilson for their hospitality and the county for the use of the court house.

On Wednesday the most interesting part of the week's programme, the races, was pulled off and resulted as follows:

Hand reel race, won by the Enterprise Company, No. 2, of Henderson; time 37 seconds, distance 150 yards.

Grab reel race, won by Henderson Company; time 24 seconds, distance 100 yards.

Grab ladder race, won by Winston Hook and Ladder Company; time thirteen and one-half seconds.

Running race, won by a member of the Henderson Company; time eleven three-fourths seconds, distance 100 yards.

Time keeper, A. P. Branch; Judges, Doane Herring, foreman of Wilson Fire Department, and W. H. Reaviss, a colored fireman from Henderson.

Peoples' Party Convention

The County Convention of the Peoples' Party met in the Court House last Saturday at 10 o'clock. Convention was called to order by Dr. H. F. Freeman, who stated the object of the convention and then asked Mr. L. E. Newsome to be temporary chairman. Mr. J. D. Meares was chosen Secretary. The chair then appointed Committees on Credentials and Resolutions. Dr. H. F. Freeman then moved that Rev. J. T. B. Hoover be made permanent chairman and that the present secretary be continued. While the Committees were out Dr. Freeman stated that a resolution was in order as to the sense of the Convention in regard to fusion with either of the old parties. Mr. Batts of Elm City, introduced a resolution to "stay in the middle of the road," and not to fuse with either party. Motion received a second and Chairman announced the question was open for discussion. Speeches were made by Mr. Levin Watson and Fryar in favor of the resolution, and Messrs. Meares, Freeman and Grice against it. Mr. Kinchen Watson asked that Chairman Hoover give his views on the subject. This request was complied with, Mr. Hoover plainly telling the Convention that a fusion with those who were opposed to the Populist's principles would be a sacrifice of those principles; that the next legislature would select a U. S. Senator, and co-operation would influence the election of Congressman, for either silver or gold. He called upon the Populists to be patriotic and not allow their prejudices to control them in this matter, but to be actuated by the broad idea of principle. His remarks were well taken. Dr. Freeman also made a speech on the same line. Mr. Batt's motion was then reconsidered, and the chair announced that it would appoint a committee to receive propositions to fuse. The committee on Resolutions and Credentials reported. Report adopted with little change. Chairman then appointed delegates to Congressional and State Conventions.

Meeting then adjourned to meet later in the evening to hear the report of fusion committee.

During the recess the Committee received propositions from both old parties, and when the Chairman called the meeting together announced that the Democrats and Republicans had both made propositions to fuse with the Populists. The Democrats offering the office of Sheriff and Treasurer, one Commissioner and Senator. The Democrats to have the Register of Deeds, as they had already the best office in the county, the Clerk of the Court; two Commissioners and the member of the Legislature. He stated that the Republicans had offered them nearly everything. A motion to consider this matter until to-morrow was carried. Tomorrow another meeting will be held.

PERSONAL.

Mr. Jno. Daws of Elm City was here this week.

Mr. T. A. Simpson left last Tuesday for Baltimore.

Mr. Chas. O'hagan is in the city from Rocky Mount.

Mr. L. F. Lucas of Lucama, was in the city Monday.

Mr. Fred Carr of Castoria left Saturday for his home.

Mr. Jno. M. Pierce of Norfolk spent Sunday in the city.

Mrs. J. W. Hawkins returned from Fremont this week.

Mr. Richard Grantham spent Sunday in Goldsboro.

Mr. E. R. Gay returned yesterday from Seven Springs.

Mr. W. F. Woodard returned Tuesday from Goldsboro.

Mrs. Louisa Hart returned yesterday from Spring Hope.

Mr. Joe Wyatt left last Monday for Nashville on business.

Mr. L. H. Fulcher returned last Monday from Beaufort.

Mr. Alex Green returned last Saturday from Whitakers.

Mr. H. S. Ward left yesterday to visit friends in Whitakers.

Mrs. James Bass left last Monday to visit relatives in Elm City.

Mr. Sam Parker left Friday to spend some time at Seven Springs.

Elder Andrew Moore of Whitakers, was in the city last Saturday.

Miss Sudie Wells returned last Saturday from Rocky Mount.

Miss Nellie Cox left last Saturday for Fremont to visit relatives.

Mr. Albert Winstead spent last Saturday afternoon in Goldsboro.

Mr. J. A. Setzer, of Elm City, was here on business last Saturday.

Mr. W. L. Banks returned this week from his home in Wake county.

Mr. W. B. Young is in the north this week purchasing his Fall stock.

Mr. Sam Walls returned Wednesday from a delightful trip to Ocracoke.

Mrs. T. H. Mayo and daughter Miss Annie, left yesterday for Greensboro.

Mr. Robert Clark left Wednesday for the Populist convention at Raleigh.

Mr. W. R. Best is again in the city having returned from Panacea Springs.

Mr. J. D. Bullock left last Monday for the north to buy goods for Branch.

Mr. T. H. Best returned last Saturday from a drumming trip up the A. C. L.

Miss Annie Moore and her little sister are visiting friends in Franklin-ton.

Mr. S. G. Mewborne is at Snow Hill this week attending Greene county court.

Mr. Charlie Blount returned last Monday from a business trip to Louisville.

Mr. L. Huffines of Rocky Mount was in the city Tuesday, en route to Morehead.

Miss Maud Fulcher returned Monday from a visit to friends in Scotland Neck.

Miss Melissa Brooks of Fremont arrived yesterday to visit Mrs. Ed. Hawkins.

Rev. F. S. Stickney of Richmond, arrived in the city last Monday to visit relatives.

Mr. S. W. Venable Jr., returned Tuesday from a business trip to Danville, Va.

Miss Annie Sauls of Norfolk, Va., is in the city the guest of Mrs. R. G. Paschall.

Mr. C. Culpepper and family spent a few days this week with relatives in Nash county.

Mr. Atlas Finch Esq., spent last week with his parents at his old home in Stanhope.

Miss Bessie Best of Littleton, is in the city the guest of the family of Mr. J. H. L. Best.

Miss Mary Setzer returned Saturday from Scotland Neck where she visited friends.

* Miss Lizzie Farrior of Tarboro, is in the city the guest of her friend, Miss Mary Hadley,

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